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BRIDGE THE SUPPLY DEMAND GAP
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Will the Minister of PLANNING be pleased to state:

(a) whether government are formulating any plans to bridge the supply-demand gap;

(b) if so, whether Government contemplate to involve private sector in infrastructure sector; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) OF THE DEPARTMENT OF DISINVESTMENT, MINISTER OF STATE IN TH MINISTRIES OF PLANNING, STATISTICS & PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE REFORMS, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES (SHRI ARUN SHOURIE)

(a): The objective of any plan is to bridge the supply-demand gap in various sectors, which may not be corrected automatically in a market driven economy due to existence of market imperfection. The Ninth Five Year Plan has been formulated on this premise.

(b)& (c): The importance of involving private sector, specially in infrastructure development in order to overcome the supply deficiencies, has already been highlighted in the Ninth Five Year Plan. The Planning Commission has just initiated the exercisesfor formulating the Tenth Five Year Plan.